

Amendment To The Specification

Please replace paragraph [0009], [0010] and [0025] with the following rewritten paragraphs:

[0009] U.S. Patent No. 6,494,064 describes an enclosed lock device for use with a padlock having a shackle. The lock device includes a latch box, a strike box, and a slide assembly. The latch box has a guide bar with a channel for passing the ~~top~~ top of the shackle therethrough, a pivoting link having a hole for receiving the shackle, and a travel limiter above the guide bar. The slide assembly includes a slidable latch located between the guide bar and the travel limiter and the padlock that is attached to the latch. The strike box includes a strike plate with a slot for receiving the latch. The bottom of the latch box has an opening for a key to access the padlock.

[0010] Trailer cargo doors commonly include rotatable stanchions that are permanently held to the exterior of the cargo doors by brackets. The stanchions are rotated to a locking position and typically secured by a lock, such as a padlock or ~~shackles~~ shackle lock described in the locking system of U.S. Patent No. 6,233,984. However, none of the aforementioned lock protecting devices may be coupled directly with stanchions found on conventional trailer cargo doors to secure the stanchions in a locked position, or prohibit movement of the stanchions, and prevent unauthorized opening of the doors. Additionally, none of the aforementioned lock protecting devices may be coupled directly with the stanchions and simultaneously protect the lock device.

[0025] The rigid housing 12 has a bottom or back plate wall 32 and a side wall or side wall structure 34 connected to the back ~~plate wall~~ 32 and extending outward therefrom to form a cavity front opening chamber for containing the puck shaped lock 16. The side wall structure 34 is preferably connected to the back ~~plate wall~~ 32 at a perimeter of the back ~~plate wall~~ 32. The

side wall structure 34 forms a ~~first~~ top opening, shown generally at 14, for receiving the lock 16 therethrough. The housing 12 includes a ~~second~~ first opening, shown generally at 18, for accessing a key receiving portion 20 of the lock 16. The housing 12 ~~as~~ has a second or locking pin ingress/egress opening 22. The ~~second~~ first opening 18 is positioned on the housing 12 depending on the location of the key receiving portion 20 on the lock 16 and is preferably sized corresponding to the key receiving portion 20 of the lock 16 to restrict access to the lock 16. In this embodiment, the key receiving portion 20 of the lock 16 is located at the side of the lock 16, and extends through the ~~second~~ first opening 18 (FIG.3), which is positioned at the side of the housing 12, when the lock 16 is unlocked. The locking pin ~~ingress/egress~~ opening 22 is formed through the side wall structure 34 of the housing 12 opposite the part thereof in which the first opening 18 is formed and below a partition wall or tab guide 44 which is rigidly secured to the side wall structure 34 in spaced parallel relation to the back wall 32. The partition wall 44 divides the chamber of the housing 12 into an outer compartment in which the lock 16 is disposed and an inner compartment in which the locking pin opening 22 is formed. A pin guide 30 in the form of a cylindrical bushing with a cylindrical opening is secured to the side wall structure 34 in axial alignment with the locking pin opening 22, which is also cylindrical.